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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Address to: MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	<i>Application Number</i>	09/872,100-Conf. #2429
	<i>Filing Date</i>	June 1, 2001
	<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Reinhold Schmieding
	<i>Art Unit</i>	3764
	<i>Examiner Name</i>	B. Kee D. Demille
	<i>Attorney Docket No.</i>	A8130.0036/P036

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
- a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 ii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 i. Amendment/Reply iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. Other _____
2. Miscellaneous
- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
 b. Other _____
3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. _____
 i. RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
 ii. Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
 iii. Other _____
- b. Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED			
Name (Print/Type)	Stephen A. Soffen	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	31,063
Signature			Date December 2, 2003

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

Effective 10/01/2003, Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 385.00)

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FEE CALCULATION				
1. BASIC FILING FEE				
Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid	
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)			0.00	
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE				
Total Claims	14	-20** =	x	= 0.00
Independent Claims	2	-3** =	x	= 0.00
Multiple Dependent				
Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid	
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)			0.00	

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES				
Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid	
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge – late filing fee or oath
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge – late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee
1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))
1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application
Other fee (specify)				
*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid			SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)	385.00

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